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Genius35　Scared to Death!

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Genius35

Scared to Death!

WOW!! OPENING WITH HIS SPECIALTY !!

TWISTED SERVE!!

REVERSE SPIN!?

FLYING STRAIGHT AT ME!!

!!

BOUNCE

WOW

WOW

WOW

IT FLEW TOWARD THE FACE.

WHAT... WHAT TYPE OF SERVE WAS THAT?

-:DRIBBLING:-

-:DRIBBLING:-

FILA

REFEREE ...

DAZED...

AREN'T YOU GOING TO CALL THE SCORE?

FIF... 15 TO 0!!

KNEES BENT

NOT BAD. OUR LITTLE GUY IS PRETTY IMPRESSIVE.

BY STARTING OFF WITH HIS SPECIALTIES, ECHIZEN TURNED THE ENTIRE ATMOSPHERE ON THE COURT TO HIS FAVOR.

ANOTHER TWISTED SERVE!!

ACTUALLY HIT A TWIST SERVE ACCU-RATELY!!

NO WAY!? ONLY A FIRST-YEAR!!

GO! ECHIZEN!! GIVE HIM SOMETHING TO SEE!!

WOW
WOW
WOW
WOW
THAT FIRST-YEAR IS SUPER STRONG ...
WHAT TYPE OF GAME IS THIS...
DON'T KNOW WHO WAS SAYING THAT SEIGAKU HAD PURPOSELY GIVEN THEIR #2 SINGLES UP...

KUDAH.
TWISTED SERVE ....
KUDAH...
KUDAH..
KUDAH.

40 TO 0 !!
DRIBBLING

ECHIZEN'S TWISTED SERVE...

AGAIN!!

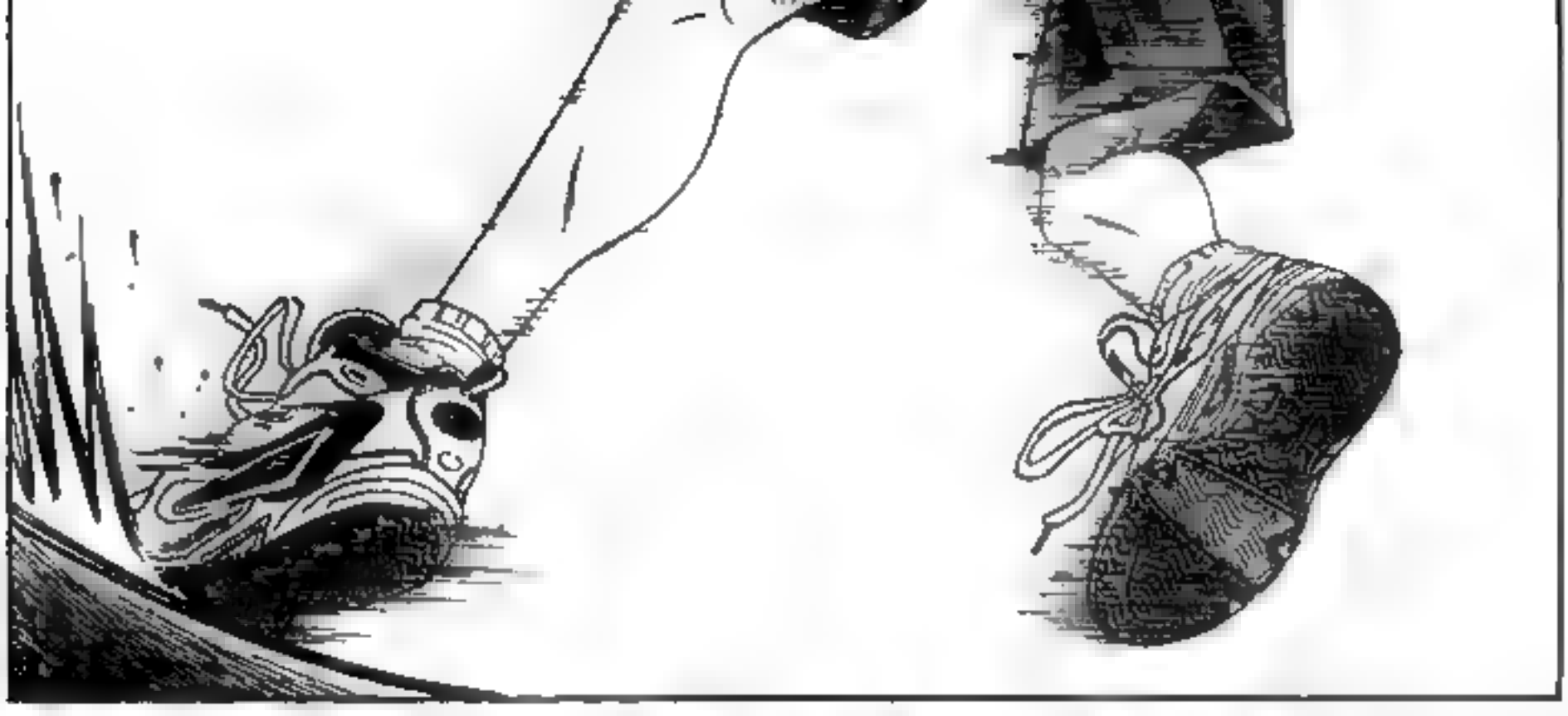
SHINJI, THIS SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM FOR YOU!!

WHAT A STRONG ATTACK! HE HAS ALREADY GOT THE UPPER HAND! BUT...

YES!!

不動峰
FUDOMINE

HE MOVED TOWARDS THE SERVE!? THAT'S DANGER-OUS!!



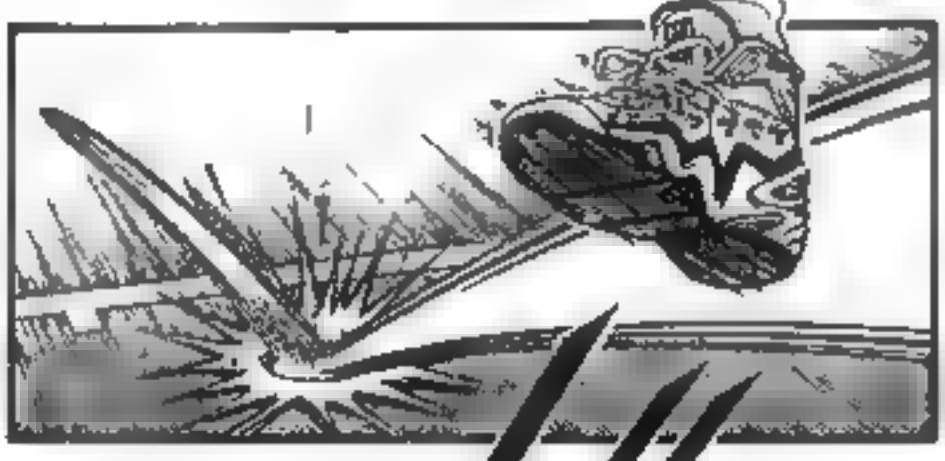
HE COUN-TERED IT!!

NICE RETURN! THAT'S SHINJI FOR YOU!!

HOW DID HE... RETURN THE TWISTED SERVE SO EASILY...

OOOH...

OH... SEEMS LIKE YOU FINALLY CAUGHT ON TO THE RHYTHM
♬
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS.

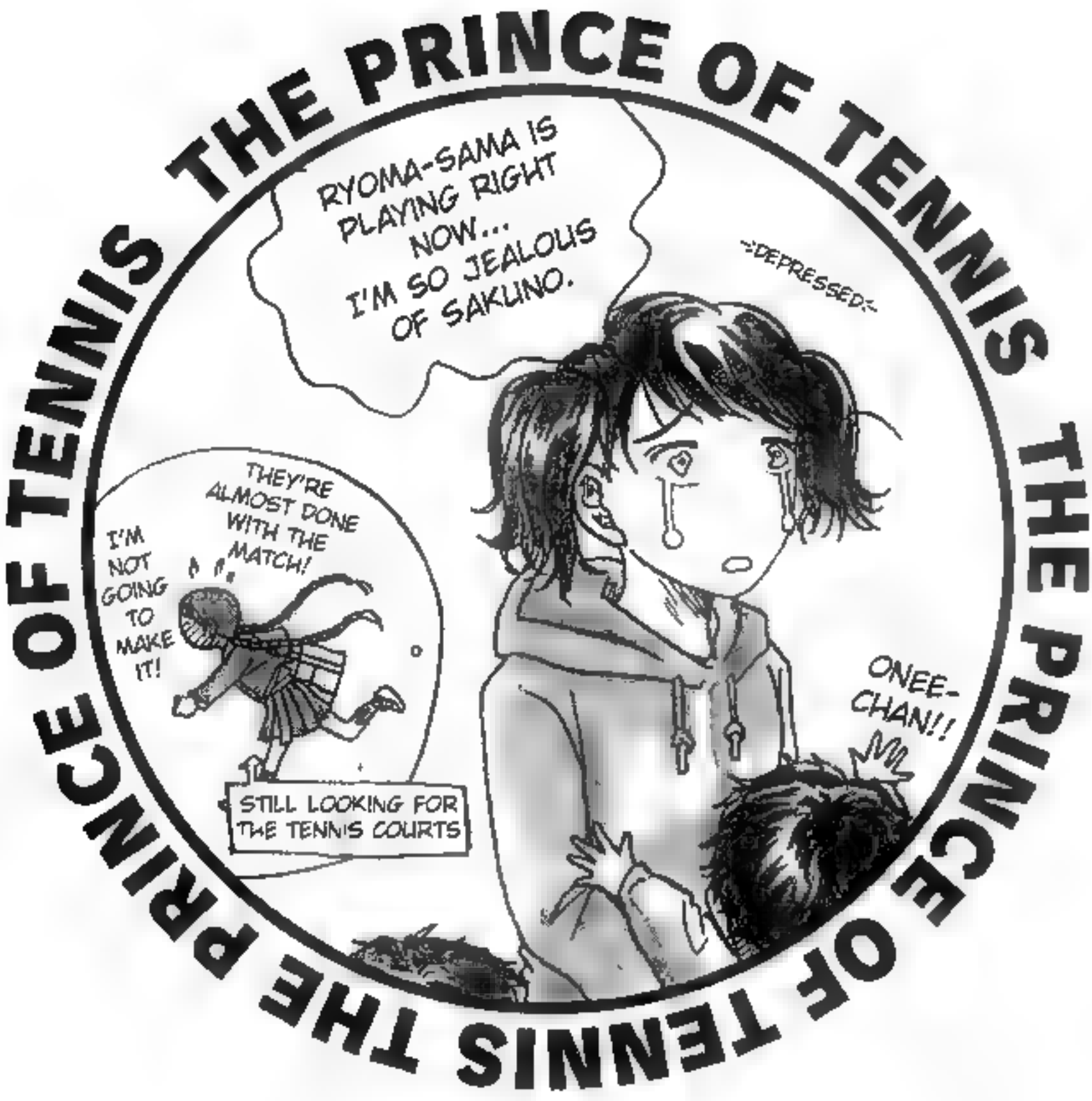


SHINJI DIDN'T EVEN SCORE ONE POINT ...
GAME SCORE 1 TO 0 !!

HE BARELY USED ANY EFFORT TO COUNTER SHINJI'S RETURN!?
SO STRONG.
THAT MIDGET PICKED UP THE FIRST GAME SO EASILY... THE GAME HAS ONLY LASTED A LITTLE MORE THAN ONE MINUTE... THAT GUY...

WHAT A FIRST-YEAR!

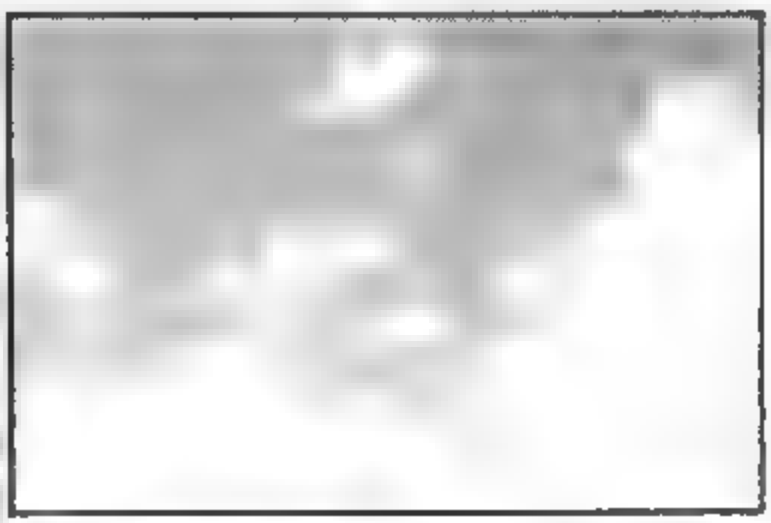
SEIGAKU'S FIRST-YEAR TEAMMATE IS AWESOME!!


TENNIS THE PRINCE OF TENNIS THE PRINCE OF TENNIS THE PRINCE OF
RYOMA-SAMA IS PLAYING RIGHT NOW... I'M SO JEALOUS OF SAKUNO.
=DEPRESSED=
I'M NOT GOING TO MAKE IT!
THEY'RE ALMOST DONE WITH THE MATCH!
STILL LOOKING FOR THE TENNIS COURTS
ONEE-CHAN!!

BOYS **DISTRICT TORNAMENT**

1R	QF	SF	F	SF	QF	1R
1 SEIKAGU 5	5	3	3	0	5	SAUNA NOBORI DAINI 7
2. GYOKURIN 5	0	0	0	5	5	FUDOMINE 8
3. OOFUJITAKE 0					0	DAIGOSHO 9
4 MIZUNOHUCHI 3	3				1	FUDAISEI 10
5 KINMATSU KAWA 2	2	3		0	4	SUZUONYAMA 11
6 KOKINOKI BANTOU	2				5	KAKINOKI 12

RANKINGS: 1. SEIKAGU; 2 KAKINOKI
3-4. SAUNA NOBORI DAINI, KOKINOKI BANTOU



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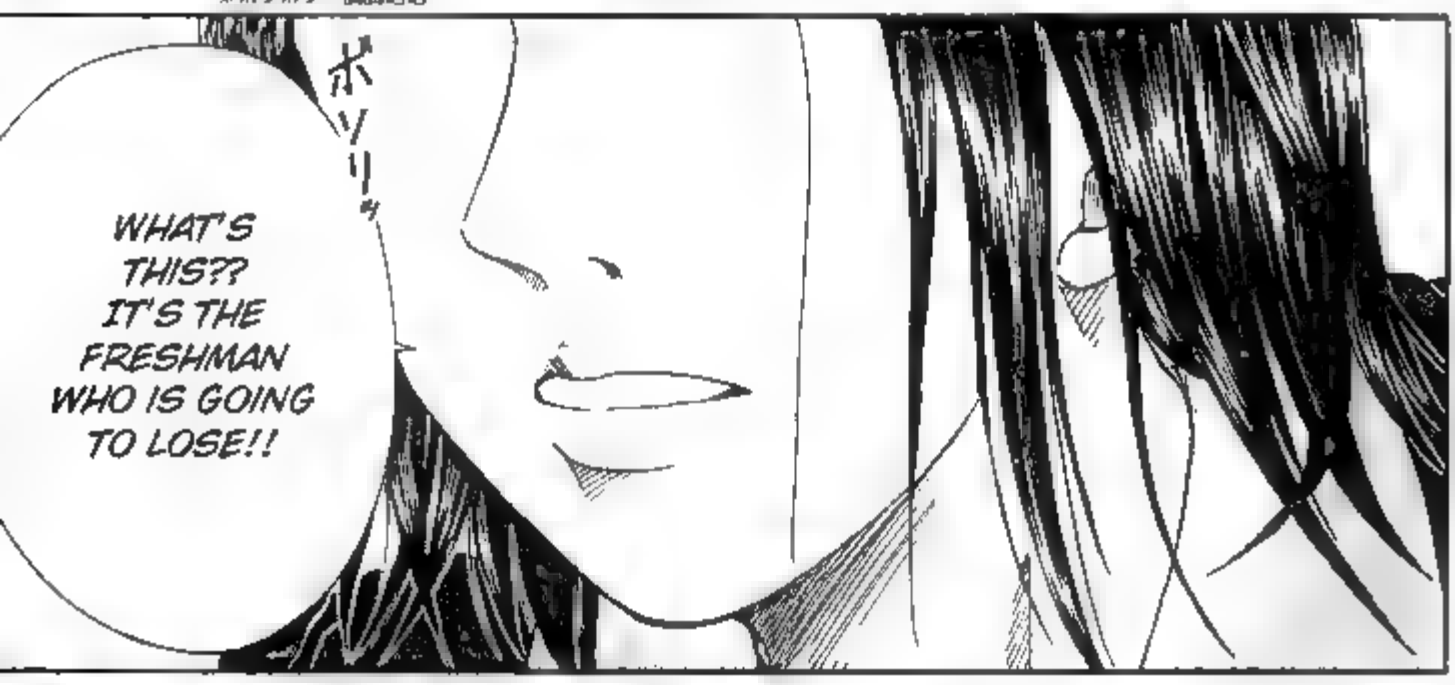
ANIME-EMPIRE
WHO IS THAT GUY!?
THAT FRESHMAN IS GOOD!!

GAME. SEIGAKU LEADS 1 - 0.
CHANGE COURT.
WAHH~ SEIGAKU SEIGAKU
UN-EXPECTED.
THAT SEIGAKU'S FRESH-MAN IS STRONG ...
.....
ファ
サラ...

WHAT'S WRONG SHINJI? YOU'RE GOING TO LET THE FRESHMAN WIN?
BLESSED.
HE'S IN A GOOD FORM NOW AND HIS SENPAIS ARE CARING TOWARDS HIM
SEIGAKU

*ポンポン 個別昭結・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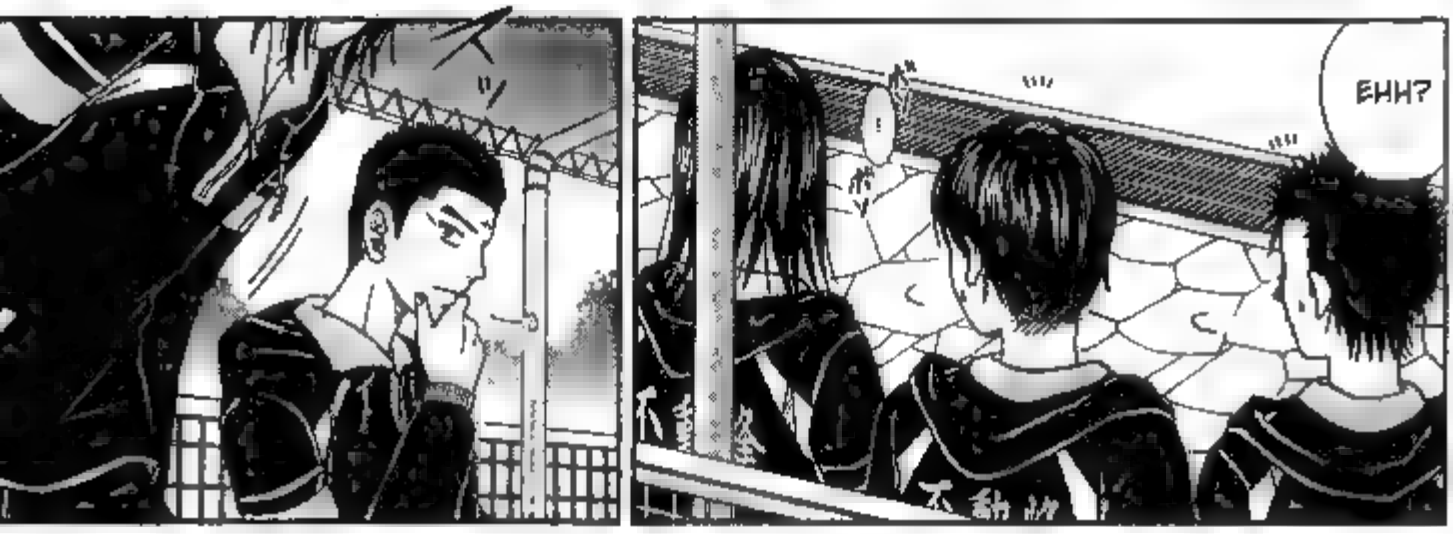
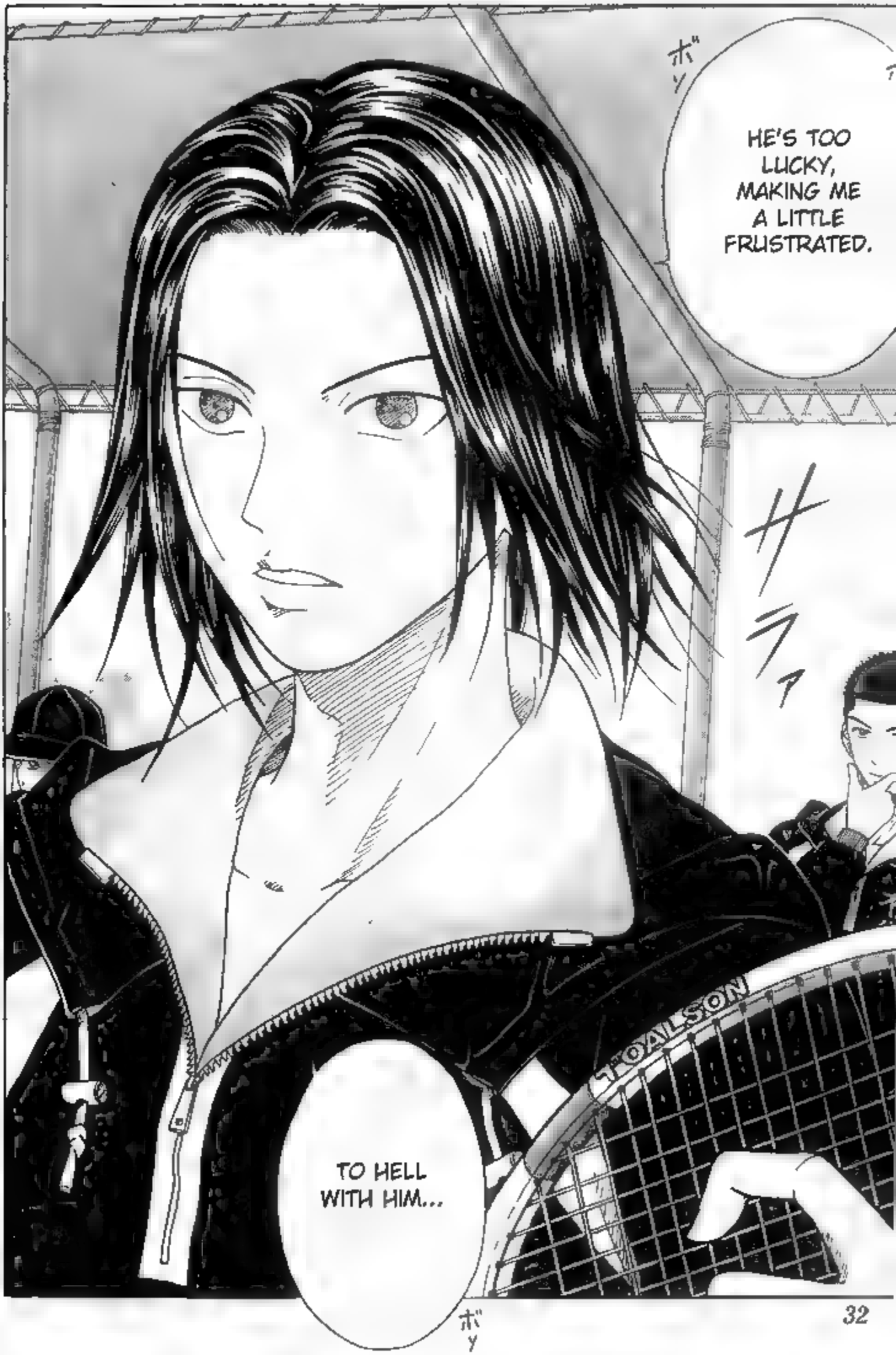
WHAT'S THIS?? IT'S THE FRESHMAN WHO IS GOING TO LOSE!!


EHH?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HE'S TOO LUCKY, MAKING ME A LITTLE FRUSTRATED.
ナデラァ
TOALSON
TO HELL WITH HIM...
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SHOWING HIS TRUE COLOURS.
SHINJI IS GETTING IRRITATED.

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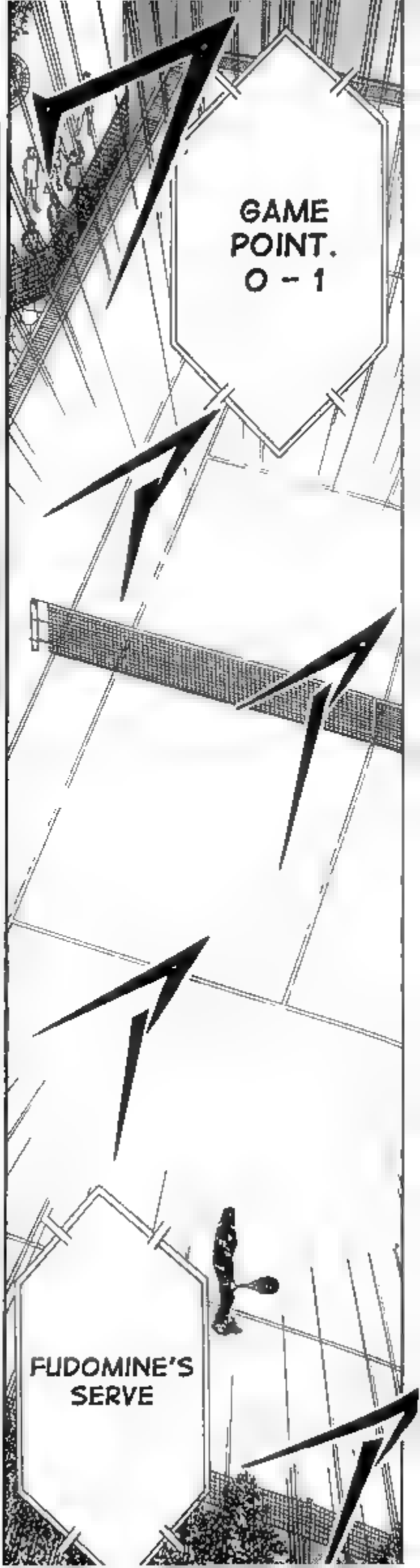
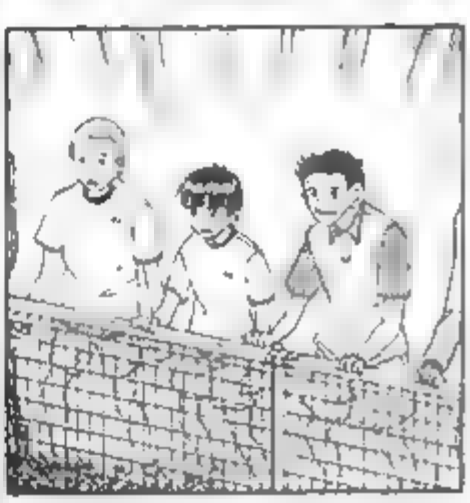
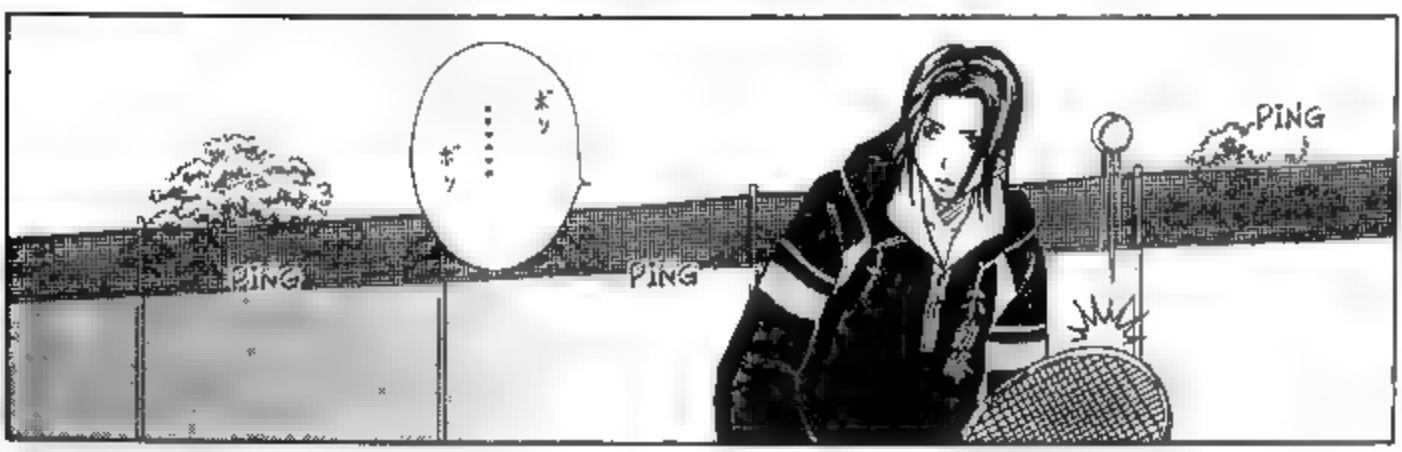
LOOKS LIKE HE GOT SCARED BY THE SERVE
SHINJI..


GAME POINT. 0 - 1
FUDOMINE'S SERVE

KNEES BENT
LET ME SHOW YOU WHAT'S CALL "AN EYE FOR AN EYE".
THAT SERVE...

TWISTED
SERVE!?
不動峰





PING: SFX OF BALL HITTING THE GROUND

THERE'S SOMEONE THAT CAN DO THAT BESIDES ECHIZEN...
NO WAY...
SHINJI'S KICK SERVE!!
YEAH... AN EYE FOR AN EYE!!!
IS THIS THE DISTRICT TOURNAMENT!? BOTH OF THEM ABLE TO DO SUCH COMPLEX SERVE!!
IT'S NOT OVER YET...
KICK!? WASN'T THAT TWISTED SERVE?
TO ME, MORE POWER AND SPIN ARE ADDED TO THEIR SERVES..
THEY ARE THE SAME IN ONE SENSE.. TWISTED IS THE OLD WAY OF SAYING IT.

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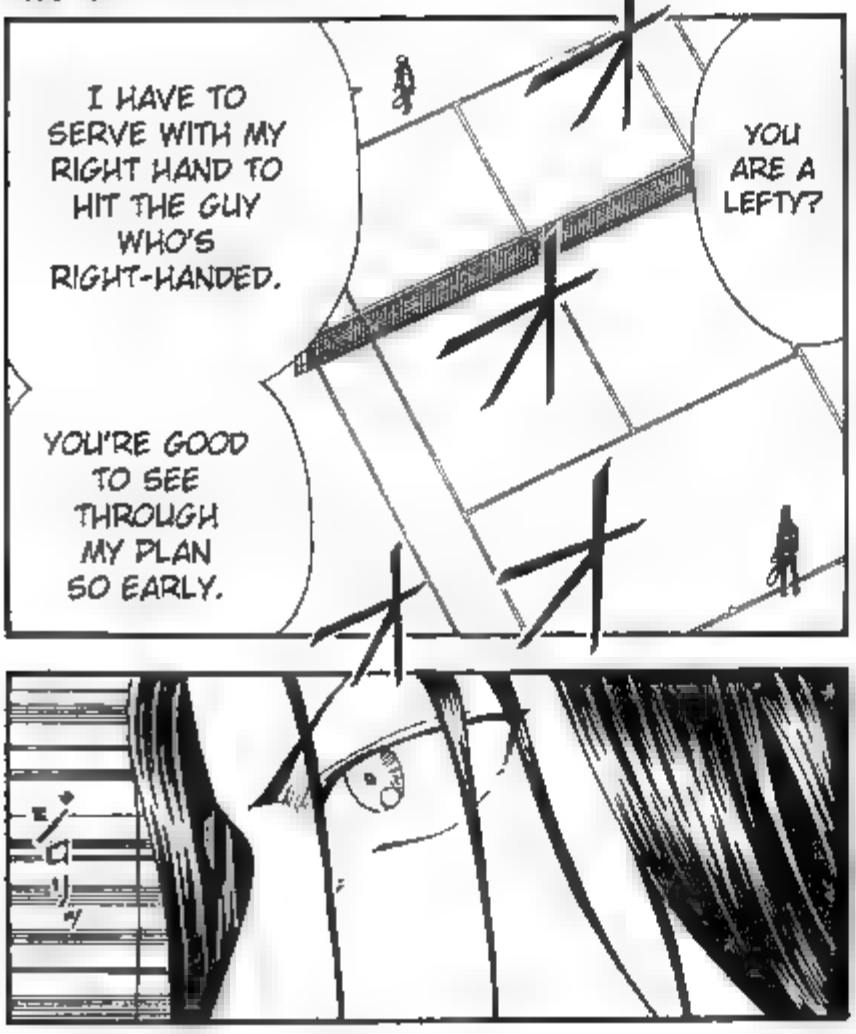
I CAN FEEL IT.
ボッ
YOU...
不動峰
ARE STILL HIDING SOMETHING, RIGHT?
EXCHANGE LOOKS
WHAT DOES HE MEAN?
NOT SURE.
LISTENS
CORRECT.
TOSSED UPWARD
SEIGAKU

THEN, LET'S STOP FOOLING AROUND...
AND GET SERIOUS!!
EHH...
HE'S OVERDOING IT, RIGHT !?
HUH!!
HE'S LEFT-HANDED !?


I HAVE TO SERVE WITH MY RIGHT HAND TO HIT THE GUY WHO'S RIGHT-HANDED.
YOU'RE GOOD TO SEE THROUGH MY PLAN SO EARLY.
YOU ARE A LEFTY?

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CORRECT. HE PLAYED DOUBLES USING HIS RIGHT HAND, SO THE OTHERS WON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS!!
YEAH!! EVERYONE WAS TAKEN ABACK!!
I was tricked once, too

I SHALL MAKE YOU LOSE THIS ONE.
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YOU'RE TOO ARROGANT.
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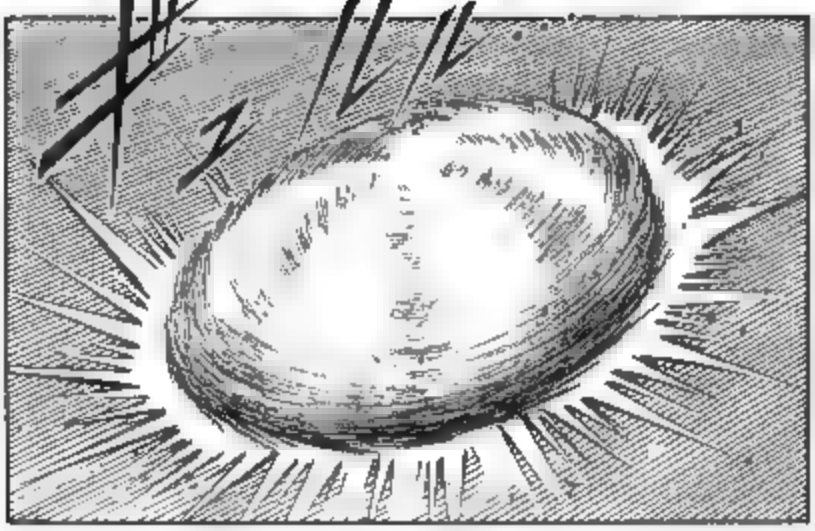

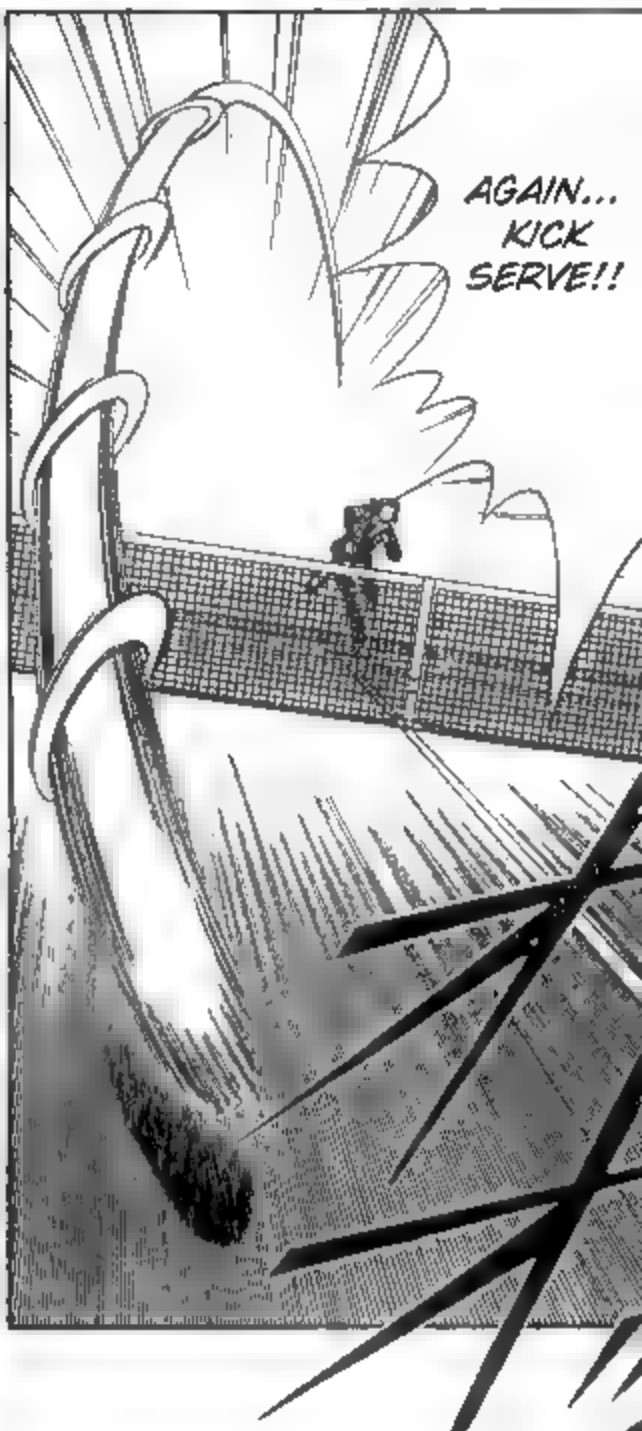
AGAIN...
KICK
SERVE!!

KNEES
BENT

HE GOT IT!?
SMILE

I'M SORRY BUT I DON'T FEEL LIKE LOSING BEFORE THE NATIONALS.
OF COURSE, NOT LOSING AT THE NATIONALS EITHER.

OOISHI SHUUICHIROU / RIGHT-HANDED

SEISHUN GAKUEN JUNIOR HIGH DIVISION
3RD YEAR CLASS 2
HEIGHT: 175CM / O TYPE / BORN· APRIL 30TH
FAVOURITE BRANDS:
SHOES: NIKE (NIKE READY AIR ZOOM STERLING)
RACKET· WIMBLEDON (TOUR MERIT)
SPECIAL ATTACK: MOON VOLLEY
FAVOURITE FOOD:
FRIED MEAT STICK, CLAM SOUP, PEAR
INTERESTS:
LOOKING AFTER PET FISH, SWIMMING

KIKUMARU EIJI / RIGHT-HANDED

SEISHUN GAKUEN JUNIOR HIGH DIVISION
3RD YEAR CLASS 6
HEIGHT: 171CM / A TYPE / BORN: NOVEMBER 28TH
FAVOURITE BRANDS:
SHOES: WILSON (SLASH DT MID)
RACKET· DUNLOP (REVELATION PRO TOUR SERIES 90)
SPECIAL ATTACK: DIVING VOLLEY, ACROBATIC PLAY
FAVOURITE FOOD:
NICE AND FLUFFY OMELETTE , FRESH FRIED SHRIMP,
REFRESHING SHAVED ICE
INTERESTS:
CHECKING OUT PET STORES, BRUSHING TEETH

A JOINT PROJECT OF
WWW.MANGACITY.NET
ANIME-EMPIRE

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SPOT

WAAAH!

RYOMA IS GOING TO HIT THE NET AGAIN!!

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN HIM APPROACH WITH SUCH ASSERTION!!

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NICE! GOOD LOB!

AT THAT HEIGHT, THE FRESHMAN WILL HAVE NO CHANCE OF RETURNING IT!!

HE HIT IT!!

SEIGAKU

OH MY GOD!

ECHIZEN!

ECHIZEN!

BESIDES, THE FRESH-MAN ...

SHINJI IS BEING PRESSED HARD.

IS HITTING WITH HIS LEFT HAND?

SHINJI, HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO CONTINUE WITH THIS RALLY?

I UNDER-STAND YOU TEND TO GIVE IN TO YOUR OPPONENT AND WIN IN A COMEBACK ...

BUT IF YOU DON'T START ATTACK-ING, IT'LL BE TOO LATE.

SHINJI?

GAME. SEIGAKU LEADS 4 - 0

GREAT! A JUMPING SMASH!

HE'S UNSTOPPABLE!

HE'S MUCH STRONGER THAN IN THE SCHOOL RANKING TOURNAMENT.

WE HAVE TO BE SERIOUS FROM NOW ON.

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IMPOSSIBLE ...

IS SHINJI HAVING A HARD TIME?

STRONG ...

pong

pong

SHINJI IS BEING PUSHED HARD ...

WHO IS THIS FRESHMAN?

HMM...

HEY, OISHI! THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH FUDOMINE'S ATTACK STYLE, RIGHT?
IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S HITTING TOPSPINS AND SLICES TO HIS FOREARM AND BACKHAND...

SHINJI... YOU'RE NOT DOING WHAT I THINK!?

!!

* NOTE. NUMB!!

RELAX, ONLY ONE POINT!

IT SHOULD BE AN EASY BALL...

WHAT'S GOING ON?

0-15

FUDOMINE SCORED A BEAUTIFUL ONE!!

ECHIZEN'S MOVEMENT WAS FROZEN FOR A MOMENT ...

?

shake shake

不動

. . . . . ?

THE FRESH-MAN'S MOVE-MENT

WAS SEALED BY SHINJI FOR A MOMENT ...

赤動峰

puff puff

I WON'T LET YOU HAVE AN EASY TIME ...

IT WAS
ONLY FOR
A SECOND

SEIGAKU
SHINJI SAW THROUGH IT!!!

嘘嘘

10

EHH?

SEIGAKU!

SEIGAKU!

RYOMA LOOKS WEIRD

MY ARM...

SHOCKED

AARHG!

SEIGAKU

PLAYING WITH SUCH HARSH CONDITIONS —

HE CAN STILL PUSH SHINJI THIS HARD ...

IT'S NO USE! PEOPLE IN THE NUMB STATE WILL ALSO

SPINNING YOUR BODY TO HIT THE BALL?

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LOSE THEIR GRIP POWER TEM-PORA-RILY !!!

!!

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DANGER!

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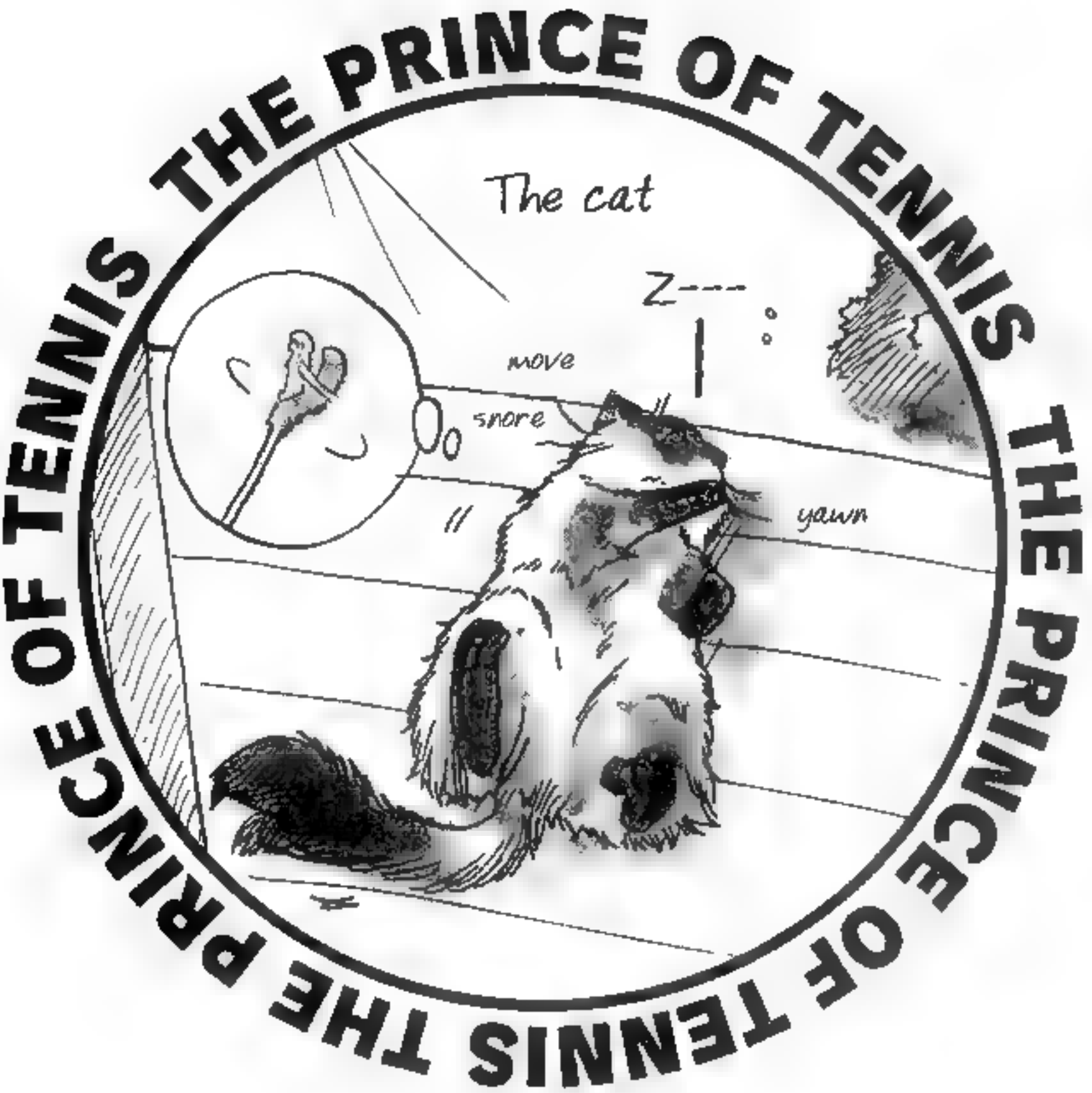
THE PRINCE OF TENNIS THE PRINCE OF TENNIS
The cat
Z----
move
snore
yawn

OH, I FORGOT.

TAKAMURA SENPAI, THAT'S NOT THE RIGHT WAY. ON THE RIGHT, ON THE RIGHT!

SEI-GAKU'S VICTORY !!!

BUT AS SENPAIS, WE BOTH MUST GO WELCOME ...

MOMOSHIRO, YOU MUST WANT TO WATCH THE COMPETITION RIGHT? YOU LEFT THE TEAM BY YOURSELF, YOU'RE PROBLABLY GONNA GET YELLED AT BY RYUSAKI SENSEI...

-DRIP-

-DRIP-

Chapter 38 THE DECISIVE BATTLE

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WWW.MANGACITY.NET
ANIME-EMPIRE

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THERE'S A LOT OF BLOOD LOST!!

OH NO!!

AN INJURY TO THE EYE!!

WOAH... RYOMA!!

.....

ECHI-ZEN!!

!

«Worried» «Nervous»

WHY DID IT TURN OUT LIKE THIS?

GET THE FIRST AID KIT QUICKLY!!

STOP THE BLEEDING FIRST!!

SEIGAKU
Genius38
THE DECISIVE BATTLE

SFX: ZAWA ZAWA (MURMER MURMER)

ECHIZEN PROBLABLY WOULDN'T WANT TO GIVE UP LIKE THIS, TOO...

VERY NERVOUS

YEAH, THE SEIGAKU VS. FUDOMINE BATTLE IS MARKED BY ACCIDENTS AND DIFFICULTIES.

THIS IS A BIG PROBLEM.

EH... WHAT CAN WE DO? THIS IS AN ACCIDENT...

HOW FRUSTRATING... THEY'VE ALREADY GOTTEN THIS FAR... AND WE WERE ABOUT TO TAKE FIRST PLACE...

I COULD NEVER IMAGINED SOMETHING LIKE THIS COULD HAPPEN...

-pong-

-pong-

FUDOMINE

AN ?

BROTHER... IS HE OK?

SEIGAKU

SEIGAKU

THERE IS NO INJURY TO THE EYE BALL ...

BUT THE EYE LID IS LEFT WITH A VERY DEEP CUT.

I CANNOT STOP THE BLEEDING.

-Drip-

Faulding

OH, MY GOD.

OH, TAKAMURA SENPAI, HANG IN THERE!!

PEH, HOW RASH OF HIM.

EEK... LOOKS TO ME LIKE IT'S REALLY PAINFUL.

WHAT'S THE DEAL, OISHI?

HEY! ECHIZEN. I'LL HELP YOU PUT YOUR BRO-KEN RACKET BACK INTO THE BAG.

FROM THE LOOKS OF THINGS, THERE'S DEFINITLY NO WAY THE MATCH CAN CONTINUE.

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ALREADY GOTTEN THIS FAR, ENDING IT THIS WAY IS RATHER DISSAPOINTING.

MOMOSHIRO SENPAI...

WHILE YOU'RE AT IT, HELP ME GET MY BACK UP RACKET OUT.

!

OK.

!

THE BEST THING TO DO IS NOT TO ACT IRRATIONALLY! RIGHT NOW ALL THE ODDS ARE AGAINST YOU IN THIS SITUATION.

NONSENSE! WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A LOOK AT YOURSELF!!

LOOK.

-Bleeding like a river-

THEN IT'S DECIDED?

EVEN THOUGH IT IS VERY DISSAPOINTING TO GIVE UP, YOU'LL JUST NEED TO LET IT GO!

ECHIZEN... IT CAN'T BE THAT YOU STILL WANT TO CONTINUE WITH THE MATCH?

IF THE BLEEDING DOES NOT STOP, I'M NOT GOING TO LET YOU COMPETE.

Rub

Rub

※揉揉！

NO.

-Stop DOKU-

-Stop DOKU-

RYOMA! COME HERE!!

I'M OK.

IT DOESN'T HURT.

YOU SILLY BOY, WHAT AM I GONNA DO WITH YOU...

DOES IT HURT?

sighs

Rubs on medecine

RYUSAKI SENSEI!?

MOMO! BRING THE FIRST AID KIT!

RYOMA, GET YOUR HAIR OUT OF THE WAY.

THIS IS ONLY TEMPOARY.

IT WILL HOLD FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES... AT THE MAXIMUM.

BLEEDING STOPPED!!

ECHIZEN, RACKET!

THANKS, MOMO-SHIRO SENPAI.

IF THE BLEEDING STOPS, I CAN COMPETE RIGHT?

BUT, YOU...

SFX : SHI

VICE CAPTAIN OISHI...

TEZUKA
...

10 MINUTES!
IF IN 10 MINUTES, THE VICTOR IS NOT DECIDED...
YOU'LL HAVE TO FORFEIT,
UNDERSTAND?

sighs

.....

GO,
BUT IF YOU
CAN'T,
STEP DOWN.

SEIGAKU

OK

THE MATCH IS CONTINUING!?

WHA..

NO WAY!? THAT SHORTY STILL WANTS TO PLAY!?

ISN'T HIS LEFT EYE INJURED !?

SEIGAKU

AN INJURY LIKE THAT AND STILL WANTS TO COMPETE AGAINST SHIJI... THAT'S REALLY STUPID.

.....

BUT NOW THAT HE IS INJURED, I'M EVEN MORE WORRIED!!

THIS IS REALLY BAD... JUST THEN HE FALTERED BECAUSE OF HIS OPPONENT'S STRANGE TACTIC.

0 TO 30

THAT'S RIGHT, COME ON! I HAVEN'T USED MY FULL STRENGTH YET...

WHAT!?

POCK

SO FAST!!
THE SPEED
INCREASED...

THAT KID ...

HE WOULD NEVER LOSE JUST BECAUSE OF AN EYE.

Silence

HEY.

JUST A TINY INJURY, YOU GUYS MIGHT HAVE OVER REACTED TOO MUCH.

ECHIZEN RYOUMA'S CLASS (1ST YEAR CLASS 2) STUDENT LIST!!

ON JUMP YEAR 2000 ISSUE 38, THE RESULTS FOR PEOPLE THAT WANT TO BE RYOUMA'S CLASSMATE HAS ARRIVED!! APART FROM PEOPLE WHO PARTICIPATED BEFORE THIS EVENT, THERE WERE ALSO PEOPLE THAT DIDN'T MAKE IT WHEN WE WERE GETTING PEOPLE TO BE IN 3RD YEAR CLASS 6. ORIGINALLY, WE WERE WORRIED THAT IN ORDER TO MAKE IT IN TIME WITH THE RELEASE OF THIS GRAPHIC NOVEL, WE WOULD NOT RECEIVE AS MANY LETTERS, INSTEAD, WE RECEIVED A FLURRY OF LETTERS, THANKS FOR EVERYONE'S SUPPORT!! I READ EACH LETTER CAREFULLY AND I WAS REALLY GLAD ♫ FROM ALL THE FAN LETTERS, I FOUND THAT MANY PEOPLE HAVE STARTED TO PLAY TENNIS. AND SAID TENNIS "IS REALLY FUN"! IF YOU WERE INFLUENCED BY THIS MANGA, THEN I WOULD BE OVERJOYED.

...HOWEVER, SAME AS LAST TIME FOR 3RD YEARD CLASS 6, I APOLOGISE TO THOSE THAT DIDN'T MAKE IT.

IN THIS "BECOME A CLASSMATE" EVENT, APART FROM JOY, I ALSO FELT I HAD TO GIVE UP SOMETHING PRECIOUS. THERE WAS TOO MANY!! I COULDN'T MAKE UP MY MIND!! AS MANY TIMES AS I TOLD MYSELF "THIS WILL BE THE LAST TIME I HOLD THESE TYPE OF THINGS!" I STILL CANNOT RESIST TEMPTATION. THIS IS THE LIST THAT HAS BEEN GENERATED FROM A FIERCER BATTLE THAN THE LAST EVENT. I ONCE AGAIN THANK ALL THOSE WHO APPLIED FOR THE EVENT.

1ST YEAR, C1ST YEAR, CLASS 2 - CLASS LIST

BOYS		GIRLS	
1	石戸　一輝	1	阿部　瞳
2	一野　浩太朗	2	伊藤　茜
3	ECHIZEN RYOUMA	3	岡　佐智恵
4	大場　真琴	4	河野　めぐみ
5	椛島　大稔	5	相模原　夏火
6	小林　明博	6	白井　理恵
7	近藤　泰啓	7	鈴木　茉莉
8	近藤　勇気	8	鈴木　まり子
9	近藤　旭光	9	高尾　しほ
10	宍戸　圭介	10	中鉢　美貴
11	代田　優	11	中矢　有紀
12	新出　将広	12	中山　紀子
13	田中　悠真	13	服部　暁香
14	蓮沼　直樹	14	平野　智
15	濱崎　洋貴	15	伏見　彩香
16	堀尾　聡史	16	吉川　幸子
17	松島　弘季	17	吉田　歩末
18	宮田　亮介	18	吉野　舞
19	矢澤　健太		
20	吉村　卓		

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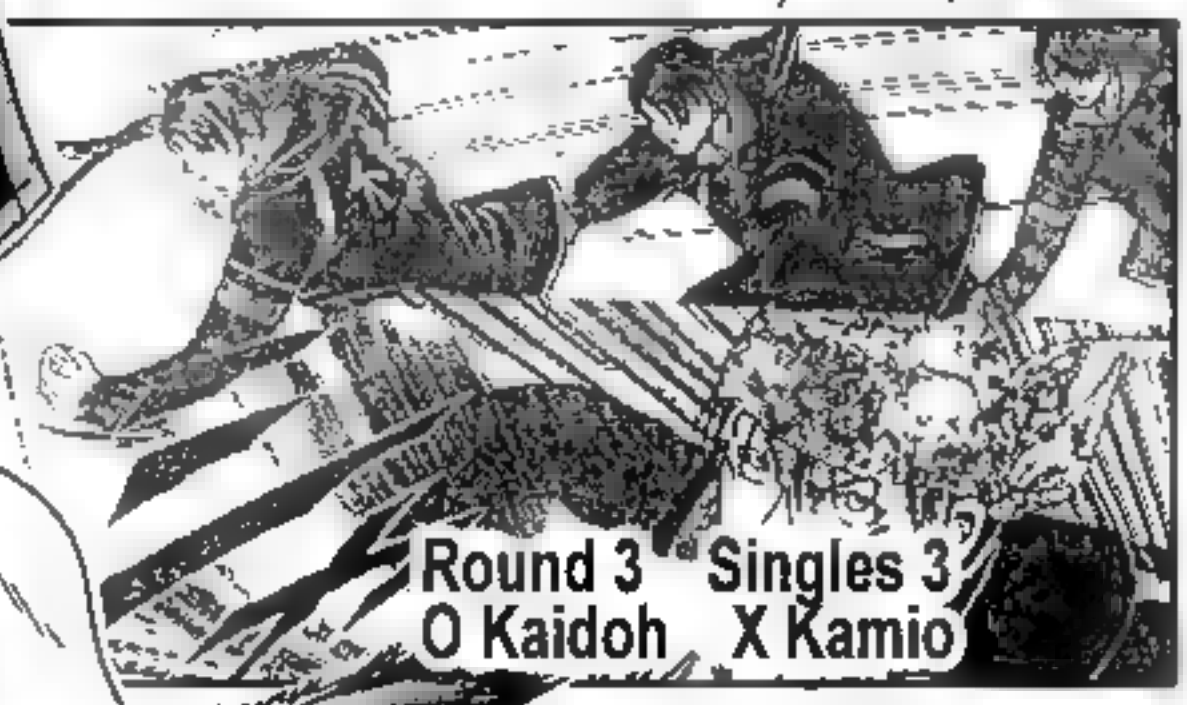

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10-MINUTE TIME LIMIT

HEY.

IT'S ONLY A SCRATCH, YOU GUYS ARE TAKING IT TOO SERI-OUSLY.

WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS...

AMAZING!! THAT 1ST-YEAR HASN'T GONE ANY SLOWER THAN BEFORE!!

YEAH, AND... HOW COULD IT BE!? HIS EYE IS OBVIOUSLY INJURED!!

WHAT TRICK WAS THAT?

YOUR ARMS ARE TEMPORARILY PARALYZED.

SEIGAKU

BE QUIET! IT'S JUST WHEN YOU PLAY,

NOW I REMEMBER, THERE WAS A THEORY THAT I HEARD BEFORE.

IT WILL NUMB YOUR ARM A BIT, THIS IS CALLED "TEMPORARY PARALYSIS".

WHEN YOUR MUSCLE CONTINUOUSLY SUFFERS THE SAME IMPACT FROM TOPSPIN AND SLICE SHOTS,

THE MOMENT ECHIZEN SUFFERS THE "TEMPORARY PARALYSIS", IT'S THE BEST OPPORTUNITY FOR HIS OPPONENT TO STRIKE.

AH... CAN'T HE EVEN GET THE BALL AT SUCH A SHORT RANGE!?

COULD IT BE HIS EYE!?

HIS MUSCLE CONTRACTING...

I CAN SEE IT...

I CAN FEEL IT...

HIS PROBABILITY OF RETURNING THE SHOT IS 0.

BECAUSE HE LOSES HIS GRIP AT THE SAME TIME,

SO IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO GET THE BALL!!

UGH, WE'RE DOOMED! FUDOMINE BROKE RYOMA'S SERVICE ROUND!!

GAME FUDOMINE IBU! GAME COUNT 4 - 1, SEIGAKU LEADS!

IT'S NOT JUST THE EYE THAT'S GIVING RYOMA A DISADVANTAGE! INUI-SENPAI, IF RYOMA SUFFERS TEMPORARY PARALYSIS AGAIN, THEN...

FUJI, HE'S ABOUT AS TALENTED AS FUJI IS. HOW COME HE'S BEEN UNNOTICED UNTIL NOW.

IN TERMS OF TENNIS TALENT, COMPARED TO ONE OF THE TOP PLAYERS IN SEIGAKU REGULARS ...

IBU SHINJI... WHO COULD'VE THOUGHT THAT FUDOMINE HAS SUCH A TALENTED PLAYER.

...ECHIZEN, DO YOUR BEST!

-SIGH-

-HOLDS- -HARD-

BEEP BEEP

BEEP

WOW WOW

SEIGAKU LEADS.

GAME FUDOMINE IBU! GAME COUNT 4 - 2.

HE IS REALLY SOMETHING.

NOW SHINJI HAS COMPLETELY MASTERED "TEMPORARY PARALYSIS".

NORMAL ATHLETES WOULDN'T DO THAT

HE'S FOCUSING ALL HIS SHOTS ON THAT 1ST YEAR'S BACK HAND.

GAME FUDOMINE IBU! GAME COUNT 4 - 3, SEIGAKU LEADS!

WOW... FUDOMINE IS CATCHING UP!!

->JUMP<-

->JUMP<-

HEY... SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOUR MUMBLING, BUT CAN YOU PLEASE HURRY UP WITH THE SERVE?

BUT YOU BETTER NOT FORGET WHAT YOU SAID AND PLAY UNTIL THE FINAL MOMENT...

->GRUMBLE<-

->GRUMBLE<-

NOT BAD, YOU'RE ATTRACTING A LOT OF SYMPATHY.

PANG!

PANG!

->JUMP<-

THERE'S ONLY 3 MINUTES LEFT.

I GOTTA QUICKLY FINISH YOU UP.

->JUMP<-

IT'S AS IF THEY'RE EVENLY MATCHED.

THAT 1ST YEAR'S STILL TAUNT-ING...

-:FIERY STARE:-

YOU'RE PRETTY TOUGH.

-:GRUMBLE:-

YOUR UP-DOWN SHOTS ARE REALLY DISGUST-ING!

THEN AGAIN ...

PANG!

I FOUND THAT YOU HAVE TWO ...

WEAK-NESSES !!

HUH !?

-CHANGES HAND-

-FOOTSTEPS-

WHAT !?

AH! HE CHANGED TO HIS RIGHT HAND!?

HAVE YOU PLAYED WITH SOMEONE THAT CAN USE BOTH OF THEIR HANDS BEFORE?

PAH!

AH! THIS TIME IT'S LEFT HAND!?

UGH.

HE CHANGED HANDS!?

BOTH HANDS!!

THEN HE CHANGES HAND...IT'S IMPOSSI-BLE!!

THIS IS AMAZING!? HE DETERMINES THE DIRECTION OF THE SHOT WHILE HE APPROACHES THE NEXT...

NO, NOT EXACTLY...

HIS REFLEXES ARE AMAZING!

SUPER SPLIT STEP...FOR SOMEONE WHO ARE ABLE TO DO THAT, CHANGING HANDS IN AN INSTANT WOULD BE A PIECE OF CAKE.

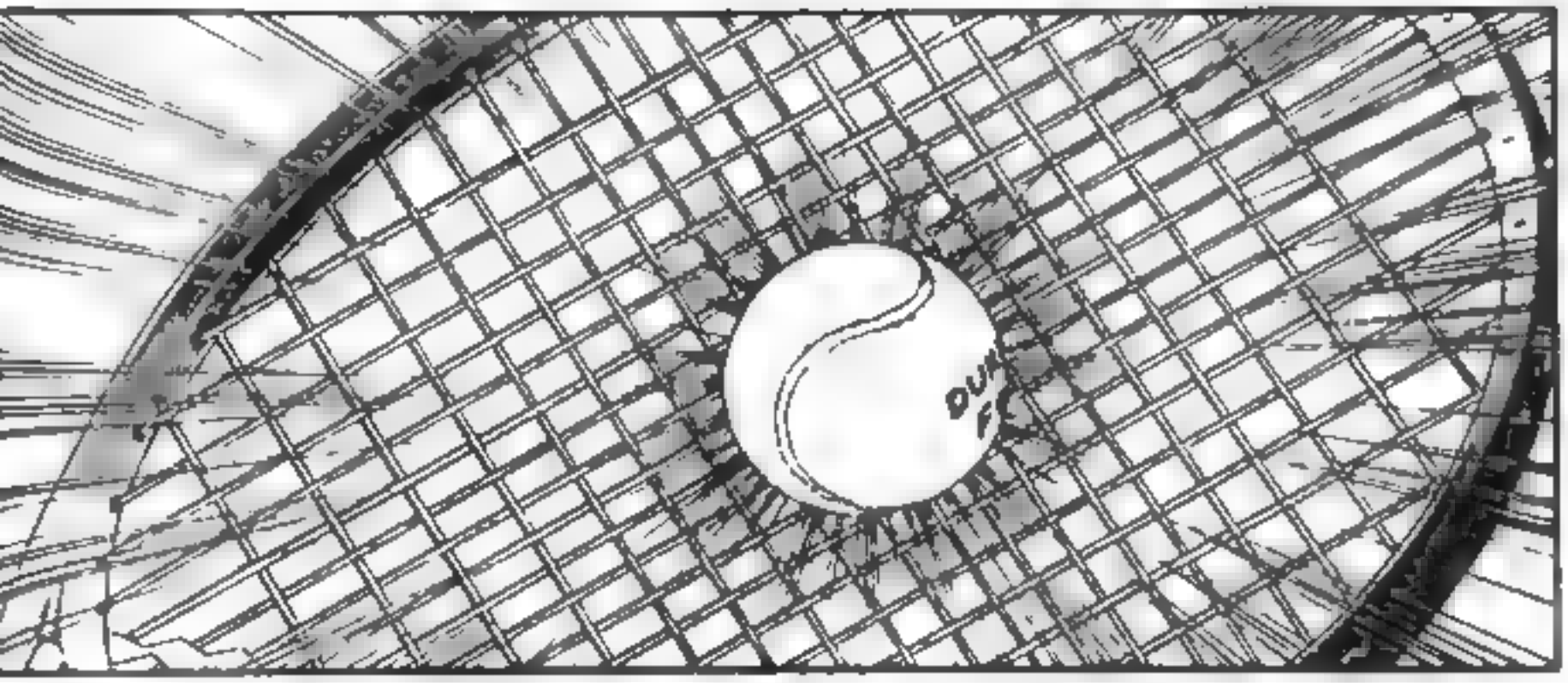
I'LL RUIN BOTH OF YOUR ARMS!!

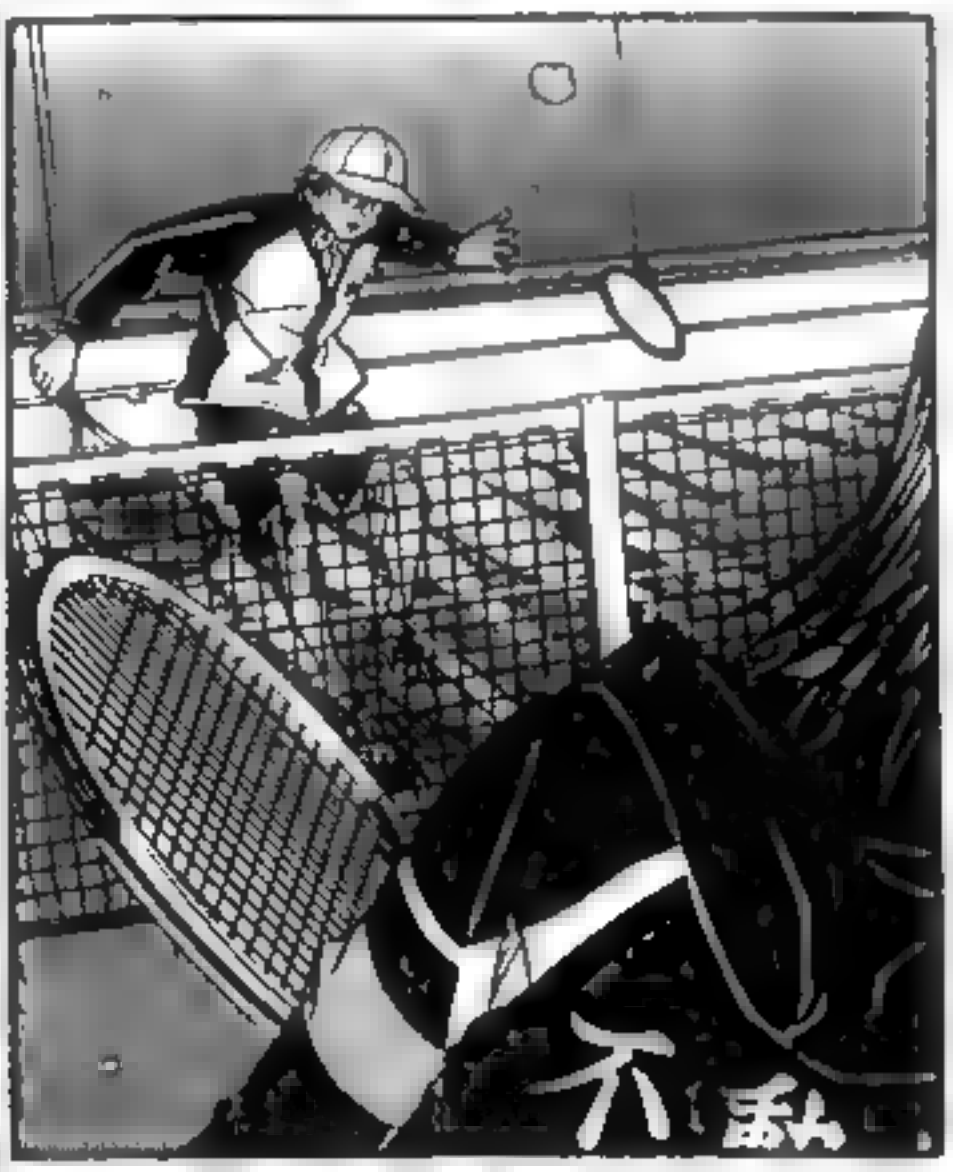
THAT'S ONE OF YOUR WEAK-NESSES!

ANGER!

SOME BOTH HANDS BULL-SHIT!

ANNO-YING GUY!!





EH?
HE'S BEEN
HITTING
SLICES FOR
A WHILE
NOW...

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO RETURN SHOTS THAT ARE HEADING TOWARDS YOUR BODY WITH TOPSPIN.

IT'S NOT THAT HE DOESN'T DO IT...

IF HE DOESN'T MAKE TOPSPINS AND SLICES ALTERNATIVELY, THEN HE CANNOT INFLICT TEMPORARY PARALYSIS...

IT'S BECAUSE HE CAN'T DO IT!!

HEY ...

-SWEATING-

動

EVEN THOUGH HE'S INJURED... WHAT A FEARSOME GUY!!

HE'S EVEN FORCING IBU SO THAT HE CANNOT HIT TOPSPINS AND SLICES ALTERNATIVELY...

SEIGAKU'S... ECHIZEN RYOMA!!

WHERE'S YOUR TOPSPIN?

UGH!

AMAZING! EVEN THOUGH HE'S WOUNDED ...

HE'S TOTALLY CRUSHED HIS OPPONENT'S ATTACK!!

YAY, ECHIZEN! VICTORY FOR SEIGAKU ...

WILL BE
DELIVERED
BY YOU!!

SEIGAKU

Prince of Tennis - a word from Konomi Takeshi

Thanks to everyone for supporting "Prince of Tennis vol 5" ♪
Recently, apart from fan letters, I've also received presents and items that are hand made, I can't express my gratitude enough! Thanks to everyone, as I write this (Aug, 2000), it's also my one-year anniversary for being serialized on Shonen Jump.

For the "Vote for your Vol.5 Cover" event held a while ago, Genius 35 won by a small margin. I guess it's because the title page for Genius 35 has many characters in it, so it has an advantage. Then again, 43 also has many supporters. Within such a short amount of time, we've counted 465 votes to 391 votes!! Of course, each vote includes a warm letter by our fans

By now everyone probably has realised that I really like Fan Letter, but unfortunately, I cannot possible reply to each of them. I'm terribly sorry But in response to everyone's letter, I've taken in note of everyone's suggestios and held various events. So don't be surprised if you feel: "...Hey? Didn't I put this idea on my letter?" That's right, all the events we hold come from everyone's ideas.

Apart from the regular chapters, this book also includes a special chapter at the end. Please enjoy.

Finally, please continue to support Ryoma and Prince of Tennis!! See you next volume!!

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AFTER THIS SHOT, SEIGAKU WINS!!

I WON'T LET YOU HAVE YOUR WAY!

IT HAD BEEN TACHI-BANA-SAN PLAY-ING...

IF...

THAT GUY HAS PRE-DICTED THE PATH OF THE SMASH!!

GREAT, SHINJI HASN'T GIVEN UP!!

WOW! HE CAUGHT IT!?

WHA...

TWIRL

FUCKING

TWISTED!?

GAME SET MATCH!! WON BY SEIGAKU, ECHIZEN!!

WOW!

WOW!

ECHIZEN...

RYOMA...

10 MINUTES DIDNT PAST YET, RIGHT?

WOW!

不動峰

CLAP... CLAP...

CLAP... CLAP...

I HOPE BOTH SCHOOLS WILL HAVE OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES IN THE TOKYO PREFECTURE TOURNAMENT COMING THIS MAY.

SEIGAKU

SEIGAKU

CLAP... CLAP...

CLAP... CLAP...

THAT IS ALL!!

CHAMPION, SEISHUN GAKUEN JUNIOR HIGH!!

DISTRICT PRELIMINARIES SECOND PLACE FUDOMINE JUNIOR HIGH...

THAT KID REALLY DID IT.

HA...

HERE, TAKA-SAN.

UM... IS YOUR HAND ALRIGHT?

YIKES!

HEY KIDDO, YOUR SHOT SURE WAS HELLA TOUGH! IT SCARES THE SHIT OUTTA ME!

YEAH, IT'S OK. IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, HAHAHA...

SEE YA NEXT TIME THEN.

NEXT TIME WE'LL DEFI-NITELY WIN.

SHUT UP, RHYTHM IDIOT.

HEY,

VIPER.

SA...

ECHIZEN.

SORRY TO HAVE HURT YOUR EYES, YOU ALRIGHT?

-MUMBLE-

BUT I KNOW IT WASN'T MY FAULT, YOU DID THAT ON PURPOSE, DIDN'T YOU? IT MUST'VE BEEN ON PURPOSE!! YOU SNEAKY BASTARD!

-MUMBLE-

UNWILLINGLY..

SHINJI.

*SUNMASON.

*) SHINJI'S SPECIAL WAY OF SAYING "SORRY" SUMIMASEN.

IT'S OK.

SEIGAKU

-GRUMBLE-
MAYBE... IT'S ALL MY FAULT.
-GRUMBLE-
I DIDN'T MEAN THAT.
TACHIBANA MUST'VE REALLY WANTED TO PLAY WITH THAT CAPTAIN TEZUKA, RIGHT?

NEXT TIME, FUDOMINE WON'T LOSE TO YOU GUYS.

SEE YOU IN THE TOKYO PREFECTURE TOURNAMENT.

->SHAKES<-

SHIGAKI

H" "/

FUDOMINE... AN OPPONENT THAT CANNOT BE UNDERESTIMATED!

ONLY 6 MONTHS AND THEY HAVE SUCH A TOUGH RANK...

YES.

CLAP... CLAP...

WAH.

CLAP... CLAP...

CLAP... CLAP...

FUDOMINE...!

.....

THAT ONE CALLED TACHIBANA, I MIGHT HAVE...

I'LL DO AN INVESTIGATION ON HIS BACKGROUND WHEN WE GET BACK.

WAAHH

CLAP... CLAP... CLAP... CLAP...

YAY, HOORAY!! WE WIN!!

CLAP... CLAP...

ECHIZEN, YOU SURE ARE GOOD!!

FIRST SEED SEIGAKU AND RELATIVELY UNKNOWN FUDOMINE BOTH ADVANCED INTO THE TOKYO PREFECTURE TOURNAMENT!!

LET'S GO!

FROM THIS DAY ON, A RUMOR BEGAN TO SPREAD... THAT IS "I HEARD THERE'S A REALLY STRONG 1ST YEAR IN SEIGAKU!"

KANAGAWA PREFECTURE DISTRICT PRELIMINARIES.

GAME SET MATCH! WON BY RIKKAI UNIVERSITY JUNIOR HIGH CAMPUS KIRIHARA 6 - 0!!

OH GEEZ, WE'RE FINISHED ALREADY?

THREE MATCHES TOTALS TO LESS THAN 1 HOUR...

WHAT AN OVER-WHELMING STRENGTH. OVER HERE, IT'S A WIPEOUT!

RIKKAI!!

RIKKAI!!

RIKKAI!!

RIKKAI!!

DISTRICT PRELIMS CHAM-PION, RIKKAI DAIBU-CHUU!!

AH, AKAYA...

HEY... IT'S THE PEOPLE FROM MONTHLY PRO-TENNIS! ANY NEWS? LIKE, ABOUT TEZUKA OF KANTOU AREA, OR...

OH...

BUT I HEARD IN THE FINALS, SEIGAKU SUFFERED INJURIES, IT WAS A TOUGH 3 TO 1 VICTORY.

OH WHAT? SAVING THEIR ENERGY!?

HUMPH

HUMPH

TEZUKA DIDN'T PLAY IN DISTRICT PRE-LIMINARIES!

Jack Purcell
JUST TO SUM IT UP, SEIGAKU DIDN'T USE THEIR FULL STRENGTH!!

MR. INOUE, PLEASE TELL TEZUKA WHAT I JUST SAID!

AKAYA, IT'S TIME TO LEAVE.

KIRIHARA AKAYA THE 2ND YEAR TRUMP.

REWRITING THE RECORD FOR THE SHORTEST MATCH PLAYED IN THIS TOURNAMENT...

AND...

SANADA AND YANAGI OF RIKKAI DAIBU-CHUU...THEY SEEM LIKE CHAMPIONS ALREADY.

ALSO, ANOTHER PLAYER JUST GAINING ATTENTION...

THIS TEAM IS TOO STRONG!!

RYUZAKI SENSEI TOOK HIM AND HER GRAND-DAUGHTER TO THE HOSPITAL.

HEY, WHERE'S ECHIZEN?

WE WON! SEIGAKU'S THE BEST!!

HAHAHA... SEIGAKU'S THE BEST!!

AH... I'M SO HUNGRY.

SAME HERE.

HEHE, IS THAT SO?

大竹総合病院

HEY, GUYS.

?

THERE'S A PLACE I'D LIKE YOU ALL TO DROP BY....

VRRROOOM

INOUE SENPAI, WHERE ARE WE GOING?

WITHIN THIS SUBURB ...

IT SHOULD BE AROUND HERE...

ECHIZEN RYOMA

(SEISHUN GAKUEN JR. HIGH DEPARTMENT) 1ST YEAR

JUST THEN, I THOUGHT THAT 1ST YEAR FROM SEIGAKU MIGHT HAVE BEEN...

RYOMA AT THE HOSPITAL

THE PRINCE OF TENNIS

WHAT'S THIS PLACE?

WE'LL BE LEAVING NOW...

DON'T ASK SO MANY QUESTIONS, JUST GO IN.

SUSHI STORE ...

CLAK CLAK

.....

?

VROOOM...

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HEY, ECHIZEN, COME IN, COME IN!!

GRAB

!!

OH! CHIBI-CHAN'S HERE!?

YOU'RE SLOW!!

GOOD JOB, EVERYONE!! SORRY ABOUT TAKASHI TROUBLING YOU GUYS TODAY!!

TODAY UNCLE WILL TREAT EVERYONE! EAT ALL YOU CAN, DON'T BE SHY!

WHAT IS THIS TEA...

HERE.

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THIS IS SALTWATER FISH? THEY'RE IN SEASON AT THIS TIME...

VERY GOOD, VERY GOOD...

WE HOPE WE HAVEN'T INCONVENI-NENCED YOU, SUCH A LARGE GROUP EATING SUSHI.

IT'S GOOD

I'M THE CAPTAIN, TEZUKA...

SENSEI!! THANKS FOR TAKING CARE OF TAKASHI, WANT SOME ALCOHOLIC BEVER-AGES!?

SWIPES

NO PROB-LEMS...

OOPS! I'M SORRY...

YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I LIKE EEL...

MEANIE!

AH, KAIDOU !!

NOT ENOUGH, NOT ENOUGH!! THAT'S RIGHT!

-:DEVOURS LIKE MAD:-

THESE... THESE TWO...

UH... THERE SHOULD BE TWO LEFT...

!

FUJI, WHAT ARE THOSE?

HUH?

THAT BASTARD ... EATING ALL THOSE ROLLS BY HIM-SELF!!

URK!

LA...

THANK YOU!

HEHEHE, LITTLE CUCUMBER!! CUCUMBER ROLL...

CHOKING

SO HOT... WHAT IS THIS? WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN EATING!?

SO HOT!! TEA TEA TEA!!

THAT'S WASABI SUSHI.

AH... I REMEMBER. FUJI LIKES SPICY FOOD.

GOBBLE GOBBLE

SIGN:
KAWAMURA SUSHI

WE STILL HAVE TO GO TO SCHOOL, SO WE'LL BE LEAVING BEFORE YOU GUYS.

YOU GUYS BETTER NOT PLAY AROUND TILL IT'S TOO LATE...

寿司

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.....

UWAH!! THIS MIXED SUSHI IS SO GOOD!!

寿司

TAKASHI, LET'S PLAY VIDEO GAMES!

HEY, MOMO, YOU'VE EATEN TOO MUCH ALREADY!!

OH WELL, LET THEM PLAY ALL THEY WANT.

THIS IS THE PLACE.

WHO IS IT?

NOTE: ECHIZEN

I'M INOUE FROM MONTHLY PRO-TENNIS MAGAZINE, I CALLED THIS AFTERNOON.

WHERE CAN I FIND MR. ECHIZEN?

OH? MY UNCLE IS RIGHT BEHIND THIS HOUSE...

THAT TEMPLE THERE.

*DONG...

*) BELL SOUND

IF RYOMA'S FATHER REALLY WAS THE LEGENDARY PROFESSIONAL MEMBER...

I WONDER WHAT HE'S DOING IN A TEMPLE.

THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL PLACE

HE'S CALLED "NANTARO"?

THEN HE DOESN'T LOOK BAD, DOES HE? I HOPE HE'S GOOD LOOKING ♥

HE'S MY FAVORITE PLAYER. REMEMBER THIS WELL, SHIBA.

AFTER GOING FOR THE WORLD CUP, HE HAD 37 CONSECUTIVE WINS!! HE LITERALLY SHOOK THE WORLD OF PROFESSIONAL TENNIS.

IT'S "ECHIZEN NANJIRO"!! AFTER BECOMING A PROFESSIONAL PLAYER FOR A YEAR, HE RETIRED. IT'S NO WONDER THAT YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT HIM.

!

=MURMUR=
WITH HIS FOOT...

WHAT THE HECK IS THAT MONK DOING?

I DON'T KNOW.

ZZZ~

YOU SHOULDN'T ASK THESE KINDS OF PEOPLE ...

EXCUSE ME! I HEARD THAT ECHIZEN NANJIRO-SAN LIVES AROUND HERE, DO YOU KNOW WHERE I CAN FIND HIM?

AH, AND WHO ARE YOU? I AM NANJIRO!!

WHOAH!!

HE... HELP ME DOWN!!

WHAT, WHAT IS THIS!?

FLAP

AAAH!!

SIGH IT WAS A GOOD THING YOU WERE HERE. NOW, WHO ARE YOU?

NANJIRO-SAN!

I'M INOUE OF PROFESSIONAL TENNIS MONTHLY. IT IS AN HONOR TO MEET YOU.

...BUT... YOU JUST SAID YOU WERE NANJIRO... WHY ARE YOU STUTTERING?

HE... WENT OUT ON A TRIP.

AH... I'M NOT NANJIRO.

AH!

AH, RYOMA? IT'S ALREADY GETTING DARK AND I DON'T KNOW WHERE HE WENT.

I SAW YOUR SON...

HOW BOTHERSOME, I DON'T LIKE JOURNALISTS. WHEN I SAY YOU GOT THE WRONG PERSON, YOU GOT THE WRONG PERSON. I'M NOT NANJIRO, HOW DID YOU FIND THIS PLACE?

A TENNIS COURT...

I HEARD HE WON AN OVER-WHELMING VICTORY AGAINST THE UPPER-CLASS-MEN!

NO, SEIGAKU WON ALL THE GAMES! HE WAS SINGLES 2.

OH YEAH, HOW'S THE KID PLAYING?

HE LOST?

HEHE...

HM...

HAHA... I DOUBT THAT CAN BE POSSIBLE. HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO FOCUS ON THE DISTANCE OF THE BALL, SO HE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HIT IT.

I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS TRUE, BUT I ALSO HEARD ...

RYOMA'S EYELID WAS CUT, YET HE STILL WON THE MATCH WITH ONE EYE!

AH... I NEVER WOULD HAVE IMAGINED PLAYING AGAINST THE 'SAMURAI NANJIRO' ...

I'M NOT NANJIRO ...

SURE. I WAS A SERIOUS PLAYER WHEN I WAS A STUDENT. I STILL PRACTICE EVERY WEEK IN THE COMPANY'S CLUB...

INOUE... CAN YOU PLAY TENNIS?

THE KID HASN'T RETURNED YET... WE COULD KILL SOME TIME.

IT'S SO OBVIOUS THAT HE'S DYING TO PLAY...

PLEASE INSTRUCT ME WELL.

YOU ONLY HAVE TO HIT A SHOT BEHIND ME, AND I'LL ANSWER ALL YOUR QUES-TIONS.

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INOUE-SEMPAI, ARE YOU CERTAIN HE'S THE LEGENDARY TENNIS PLAYER?!

DON'T LET THAT FAKE MONK TRICK YOU...

IF HE IS, THEN WOULDN'T IT BE 20 YEARS SINCE HIS RETIREMENT?

HEY LADY! WHO'S A FAKE MONK? NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT ME, I LOOK LIKE A SEXY MATURE MAN!!

-JERK-

Wilson

ALRIGHT!!

ECHI...

WHAT GAME ARE WE GONNA PLAY?

THANKS! WE'RE STUFFED, THIS IS GOOD!!

I HAVE THIS ZOMBIE SHOOTING GAME.

Zzzzz...

SNICKER OH WHOA... SEIGAKU'S STAR PLAYER IS ASLEEP.

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EH!

NANJIRO-SAN, SMOKING IS RESTRICTED ON THE TENNIS COURT!

THIS GUY'S PERSONALITY HASN'T CHANGED ONE BIT

HEH

HE WAS JUST LIKE THIS WHEN HE WAS A PRO, TOO.

AND ALSO THIS IS MY HOUSE.

COME ON, DON'T BE SO SERIOUS!

EH?

THIS IS AN OUTRAGE!

WEARING CLOTHES LIKE THAT AND YOU'RE BAREFOOT, ARE YOU SERIOUSLY REALLY GOING TO PLAY?

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F

-PAH-

HERE I GO.

OK, LET ME SHOW HIM MY SKILLS!!

WOW! WHAT A POWERFUL SHOT!! INOUE SENPAI IS SO COOL!!

HIA!!

HIA OH!

HEY, INOUE, DON'T HIT THE BALL SO HARD ...

YOU SURE LOVE TO JOKE ...

YOU NEED TO GO EASY ON THIS OLD MAN.

JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE THEN HE COULD GET IT PASS HIM... THERE'S JUST NO WAY!?

OH... SO CLOSE!!

THIS IS BAD...

SHOULD NOT BE SO HARD, BUT I NEVER THOUGHT...

AT FIRST, I THOUGHT GETTING ONE SHOT PASS...

HE'S USING HIS LEFT FOOT ONLY TO PIVOT...

BUT THIS IS TOTALLY NOT THE CASE!

SWISH

HE DIDN'T EVEN MOVE ONE STEP ...

FROM WHERE HE WAS STANDING!!

THIS IS MORE LIKE A BEAT DOWN THAN A SINGLES MATCH...

INDOMITABLE!!

OH GO... GOD...

?

THEN, LET'S DO THIS INOUE ...

THAT KID RYOMA WAS INJURED AND HE ONLY USED ONE EYE TO COMPETE, RIGHT?

OH RIGHT, YOU SAID...

I'LL GO EASY ON YOU! I'M GONNA PLAY LIKE RYOMA!!

->SMILE<-

BY CLOSING ONE EYE, WOULDN'T HIS DEPTH PERCEP-TION BE ...

NO WAY? EVEN IF HE KNOWS WHERE THE BALL IS GOING TO LAND ON THE RETURN ...

WHAT!?

HERE I GO.

~SIGH~

LOOKS LIKE HE'S PLAYING REALLY STEADILY ...

HERE I GO.

WA HA HA

IN... INOUE SENPAI.

HE HAS BOTH EYES CLOSED !?

FLAW-LESS TENNIS TECH-NIQUE..

!!!

SAMURAI NANJIRO!!

I CAN'T BE WRONG, IT'S HIM!!

HERE I GO!

YOU'RE LYING ...

HAA HAA

HAA

HAA

IS THAT RIGHT?

AM I NOT AN IRRESIST-IBLE OLD MAN?

WHAT'S WRONG? WHY ARE YOU SO QUIET?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN... AFTER SOME-THING LIKE THAT HAPPENING, OF COURSE I HAVE NOTHING TO SAY.

VRRRR

THAT KIND OF SUPERB TENNIS SKILL ...

IS TOTALLY MONSTROUS.

HA HA

TO HIM, IT WAS ALL JUST A GAME. AND I WAS ALSO BLINDED OVER BY HIS ACT.

AS OF NOW, THE TEENAGE TENNIS WORLD IS RAPIDLY GROWING, WHICH LED TO THE SURFACING OF ALL THE INGENIOUS PLAYERS THERE ARE. AND YOUR SON...

RYOMA?

IT'S STILL TOO EARLY FOR RYOMA.

AS OF NOW HE STILL CAN'T ACCOMPLISH MUCH.

EH?

I THINK SO, TOO.

EVEN IF WHAT YOU'VE SAID IS TRUE... THERE'S NO WAY FOR A NORMAL 12 YEAR OLD, WHO IS STILL IN MIDDLE SCHOOL TO KNOW HOW TO USE THE TWISTED SERVE AND THE ONE LEGGED SPLIT STEP.

IS A COPY OF MINE.

BUT, THE TENNIS RYOMA PLAYS NOW,

WHAT'S THAT!?

THAT KID STILL NEEDS TO LEARN ONE THING!

TELL ME! NANJIRO-SAN.

DIDN'T I TELL YOU I'M NOT NANJIRO!?

WHERE IS IT?

-TURN-

NANJIRO-SAN, YOU DON'T WANT YOUR ADULT MAGAZINE?

INOUE, LIFE IS NOT THAT SIMPLE.

-ASHAMED-

I'M NOT GONNA TELL YOU! DIDN'T YOU JUST LOSE TO ME?

.....

YOU ADMIT IT!?

VRRRRR

I'M GETTING MORE AND MORE ANXIOUSLY INTERESTED.

RYOMA, WHO GREW UP WATCHING NANJIRO, I WONDER WHAT KIND OF LEVEL IS HE AT...

RYOMA, DID YOU HAVE FUN IN THE COMPETI-TION?

IT WAS OK.

I WAS INJURED, BUT THE DOCTOR SAID I WILL HEAL VERY SOON.

-:YAWN:-

VRRR

-:SHUTS:-

MI

I'M HOME.

HA HA HA

WHAT'S THAT WRITTEN ON YOUR EYE?

HA HA HA

WHAT?

RYUZAKI SENSEI ...

WHAT'S WRONG? WHY SO SERIOUS ALL OF A SUDDEN?

I THOUGHT YOU GUYS WOULD BE CELEBRATING YOUR VICTORY AT TAKAMURA'S.

TO PLAY A MATCH WITH RYOMA.

PLEASE ALLOW ME...

——網球王子5完・待續——

WRITER'S SPECIAL INTRO

FROM THIS PAGE FORTH IS THE OLD SHORT VERSION OF "PRINCE OF TENNIS". IT WAS PRINTED 1

YEAR AGO IN THE "JUMP" MANGA MAGAZINE.

DUE TO THE USE OF THE SAME IMAGES FROM THE ORIGINAL PRINT, THE SETTING COULD BE DIFFER-

ENT, OR WOULD SEEM VERY STRANGE TO THE READER, BUT BEFORE I EXPLAIN ANY FURTHER, THE

STAGE SETTING IS TOTALLY DIFFERENT, INSTEAD OF JUNIOR HIGH, IT IS STAGED IN HIGH SCHOOL.

IN FACT IN THE ORGINAL SETTING, "RYOMA" WAS SUPPOSE TO BE THE ANTAGONIST! AND THE

PROTAGONIST WAS SUPPOSE TO BE "GINSAN KIMTARO". IT WAS LATER CHANGED TO "ECHIZEN".

(AND THE PROTAGONIST'S FATHER WAS NAMED "ECHIZEN NANJIRO".) FINALLY DUE TO THIS SHORT

CHAPTER'S GREAT REVIEWS, RYOMA WAS SELECTED TO BE CROWNED WITH THE ROLE OF THE

PROTAGONIST AFTER ALL.